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KILLS MAN WHO RAN OFF WITH HIS WIFE

Trio of Columbia, S. C., Folks Stage Affair in Durham; One is Killed Instantly and Another Dies Later of Wounds.

Durham, N. C., Aug. 10th.—R. E. Gordon, formerly of Columbia, S. C., was killed instantly and Mrs. Robert H. Wiles, who was rushed to a local hospital immediately after the shooting on the 8th, has succumbed to a pistol wound, and Robert H. Wiles, also of Columbia, is being held in the Durham county jail on a charge of double murder as the result of a shoot-out in an apartment here.

Wiles, according to the police, arrived here Friday night and went immediately to police headquarters and asked assistance in locating his wife and two children. He told the police that Mrs. Wiles and her two children left Columbia some time ago in company with Gordon, and at a time when he was sick in a hospital in that city.

On locating the apartment in which Mrs. Wiles lived, witnesses state that Wiles stationed himself outside and waited for three or four hours. When Gordon entered the apartment Wiles went in behind him and the shooting followed immediately.

Fatality of Shots. Gordon was instantly killed. Three bullets entered his body, one over the heart, another through the neck and a third lodged in the arm. Wiles, in a statement to the police after the shooting, said that Mrs. Wiles was wounded when Gordon pushed her in front of him.

Wiles picked up his wife from the bed on which she had fallen, carried her to an automobile and rushed her to a local hospital, where he placed her in the operating table. He was arrested shortly thereafter.

"What does this mean?" He said that Gordon recalled, "As nothing," and reached toward his pocket as if to draw a gun. Witnesses stated that Wiles then drew his gun and began firing.

Mrs. Wiles died later from wounds received during the shooting.

KLAN PARADE WASHINGTON LARGE EVENT

Virginia Klanswomen Carry Big American Flag Measuring 40 By 75 Feet. Estimates as to Total Attendance Vary.

(By Edward E. Britton in News and Observer.)

Washington, Aug. 5.—An event not on the program of the monster K. K. parade here yesterday was the spectacular in itself. The largest American flag in the parade was carried by the Virginia Klanswomen of Klanswomen, being 75 feet long and 40 feet wide, and had been made by the Klanswomen of Lynchburg, Va., especially for the parade. It was carried outstretched by a large number of Klanswomen, and while it was not heavy when the line started to move it was slightly before the Sylvan Theatre was reached, the girls carrying it being hardly able to stagger along under its weight. The reason that somebody started what became an epidemic of the throwing of money into the parade was that the Klanswomen had their handkerchiefs waving and their money in it in regular showers.

The girls kept right ahead, and did not even take time to count the amount of the unbridled enthusiasm when they lunched behind the stage at Sylvan Theatre, but just rolled up the huge flag with the money in it.

In the Klan parade yesterday estimates were made that there were more than 25,000 to 100,000 Klanswomen in the parade, according to statements made today following the Delaware Klanswomen in the line of march. The North Carolina, near the last of the parade, were caught in the sudden downpour of rain as they reached the Sylvan Theatre grounds. Estimates of the number of North Carolina Klanswomen in the parade varied from 100,000 to 200,000.

It is estimated that when somebody's wife gets a new hat or dress every woman in the Klan knows what it was within a couple hours.

Pole Flight Hero



Lincoln T. Ellworth, the American who financed and went with Amundsen in the airplane dash for the North Pole, is back in the U. S. He says they will try again—using an airship instead of planes.

RULES EVANGELISTS PAY

State Department of Revenue Now Making Effort to Collect Income Tax From The Ham-Ramsey Party.

Raleigh, Aug. 12.—Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt has ruled that under the North Carolina law evangelists from out of the State are due the State an income tax on income received here and Commissioner of Revenue R. A. Daughton is now endeavoring to collect such a tax for 1924 from Evangelist M. F. Ham and his choir leader W. J. Ramsey, it was learned yesterday.

So far Commissioner Daughton has received no tax but negotiations are underway through attorneys who are representing the evangelist and his wife.

Mr. Ham is now in Kentucky and no definite statement has been made as to his intentions.

The matter was called to the attention of Commissioner Daughton while the evangelist party was in Smithfield, the last town in this State in which the party held a revival before Mr. Ham's return to his native State of Kentucky for a series of revivals.

A letter was written by Commissioner Daughton calling attention to the fact that information had been received by the department to the effect that sufficient income had been received by each of them in this State during the year 1924 to entitle the State to an income tax and pointing out that under the North Carolina law the State is entitled to an income tax, even though the taxpayer is a resident of another State and pays an income tax there.

Judge F. H. Brooks, of Smithfield, took the matter up for Mr. Ham and the department has just received a letter stating that the evangelist left the matter in the hands of Judge Brooks and another lawyer friend.

Judge Brooks stated that the evangelist felt that he was being persecuted and discriminated against and that the reports had probably been made by his enemies and that he sought only to pay the tax unless other compelling reasons such as William A. Sunday and Mr. Torrey were required to pay it.

In the meantime Colonel John D. Langston, Goldsboro attorney, had taken the matter up for Mr. Ramsey, and obtained a written ruling from the Attorney General, who held that the question revolved on whether the evangelist had a "place of business here."

The Attorney General wrote that he had the highest respect for the motives of the evangelists in entering their work but ventured the opinion that they would not continue in the occupation unless they found it gainful.

According to figures compiled by the State Highway Commission, 77 miles of paved roads were completed during the month of July. Of this mileage 36 miles of cement concrete construction; 13 miles of asphalt concrete; 18 miles of concrete base course were laid; and 10 miles of bit asphalt, bituminous macadam, etc., were completed.

The most successful show window visited one of our young happy relatives is one that contains nothing to attract the mirror at the back.

HALF FOLKS DON'T OWN REAL ESTATE

Problem of Landless and Homeless in North Carolina Must Be Reckoned With Says Dr. E. C. Branson.

Chapel Hill.—There are one million, two hundred and forty-one thousand citizens of the State of North Carolina who do not own a single inch of the ground they cultivate or a single shingle on the roof over their heads," was the astounding fact revealed by Dr. E. C. Branson in addressing the Public Welfare Institute here. "The problem of the landless, homeless people of the State is one which must be reckoned with some day. Our civilization is so grounded in the home-loving, home-owning instinct that the remedy will come through creating a more satisfying civilization, especially a satisfying country civilization, for a larger proportion of our landless, homeless population live in the open country."

Dr. Branson compared conditions in North Carolina with those in Denmark, where he lately spent many months. "There are," he said, "no problems of home ownership nor are there problems of illiteracy. They have installed within their very beings a thrift which compels them to own their homes." This feeling for the essential power of thrift is largely lacking among our American people today. They see the immediate needs and forget that they should be willing to forego them in view of more permanent things. The average American sees what he wants and gets it whether it be bread, bologna or paragon. It is from this widespread lack of thrift that our own problem of farm and home ownership arises.

"The problem of excessive tenancy which is the problem of the landless and homeless country men is not a

South the white tenants and property outnumber the negroes. Three-fourths of all the farmers in the State are tenants. They move from pillar to post from Dan to Beano and back again. They make a restless, roving irresponsible proletariat of citizenship. They seem to possess a hopeless problem, but it is one which you can not forget. If you have any real religion in you, you cannot give up the problem. The children of those tenants who are really intelligent in the slightest in making this little called eighth a safe place for children to be born into, you must help to solve it."

Dr. Branson urged the creation of a permanent civilization which would make country life more livable. Those who really love the country will lead the way to do away with the ills of those who are landless and homeless.

MANY INQUIRIES ARE BEING RECEIVED BY CHAMBER COM.

That people all over the country are becoming interested in Eastern Carolina, is indicated by the many letters that are being received by the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce every week. These inquiries are in response to advertising matter that is being carried in the nationally read magazines by the organization. About forty are being received per week. This shows that they are thinking of moving to Eastern Carolina, and every effort will be made to add a good substantial number of real good citizens to Eastern Carolina's population during the next few years. Attractively gotten up literature is being sent to all parties asking for information and every indication points to a successful landing of at least a few of the new comers.—The Eastern Carolinian.

TWO WIDOWS LEFT BY AIRMAN BECOME LIFE FRIENDS.

Los Angeles, Aug. 10.—As an aftermath to an airplane crash Friday in which William H. Cox, World War aviator, lost his life, two women, each of whom supposed the man was God's faithful wife, met today and conceived a mutual friendship for the dead aviator.

As a result of that conference the body will be turned over to Cox's father, who will take it for burial to Alamo, N.M.

After the conference the two widows announced their meeting had resulted in an enduring friendship.

A pretty Farmville school teacher, who has been away for the summer, stated the other day that she had discovered during her vacation that she had a husband and a child.

Discovers New Wonder of the Sea

Six highly important specimens in the Galapagos Islands, collected many new specimens of the sea for the Nat. Museum of Natural History by the Dr. Wm. Beebe expedition which just returned. Deep sea fishes with "show window" or transparent stomachs, others with "beating" hearts of their own, and some of the wonders brought back.



COURTS RIGHT SAYS DUNN

Declares North Carolina Needs No More Judges, But Needs More Work By Present Corps and Public Cooperation.

Raleigh, Aug. 12.—There is nothing the matter with our judicial system," declared Judge Albion Dunn, of Greenville, yesterday in a brief charge to the State grand jury at the opening of the special criminal term of the Wake County Superior Court called for the trial of the ten manufacturers of Raleigh for forming a combine in restraint of trade.

"Judicial reform should go slowly in this State," Judge Dunn declared, "and it is not to be undertaken by the whim of a legislature. It is a matter of the people's choice."

Judge Dunn served notice on the bar that while he presides, court will begin early and continue until the last of the day it does.

Judge Dunn declared that it was unwise to accept the pet hobbies of any sentimental about the courts. He said that North Carolina does not need any more judges, and that if the legislature and lawyers would cooperate the business of the courts could be dispatched by the present judges. He pointed out that business men could not afford to live if they did not begin to work until 9:30 o'clock, took two hours for lunch and stopped work at 4 o'clock.

The old short day suited the day of wig and gown," Judge Dunn declared, "but it is not suited to the present-day needs."

He mentioned the grand jurors to be careful about the evidence of men who come to them whispering but are unwilling to have their names used. Judge Dunn declared that such evidence was usually untrue, and that if the grand jury believed it, they were to swear out a warrant.

He declared that the court would not appreciate or tolerate any information in behalf of or against a defendant outside of court and that any information about defendants must be given in open court where it could be answered.

Judge Dunn reminded the jurors that twelve votes in the grand jury are necessary in order to return a true bill and that if twelve votes were not secured the bill should be returned as not a true bill.

FARMVILLE DEFEATS SNOW HILL IN EAST GAME TUESDAY

Farmville again defeated Snow Hill on the local diamond Tuesday afternoon in one of the prettiest games of the season. For seven innings the Snow Hill club was going the other way, but their luck struck finally came, and with a few batted hits and few wild throws by some of the Farmville boys one manager to push three of her men safely across the plate for runs.

Farmville managed to get her six runs all along the game in every one well earned.

I. C. COM. ORDERS NEW RATE

Freight Rate on Anthracite Coal From Pennsylvania to North Carolina Has Been Reduced From \$7.00 to \$5.75 per ton.

Washington, Aug. 12th.—Railroads serving West Virginia smokeless coal districts were ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission today to lay down a new basis of rates, which will allow movement of such coal to consuming territory including all of New England, and the North Atlantic Sea Board.

The Commission refused to order general rate reduction on anthracite and possible substitutes for anthracite. The action was taken after an investigation of several months.

The new rates affecting all North Carolina points, which now pay an average of \$7.00 per ton in freight on prepared anthracite, was required, and the commission made the measure of the new rate \$5.75 per ton from Pennsylvania to North Carolina, requiring railroads to put the new schedule into effect within ninety days.

THE MEADOW CELEBRATION

Soon after the stormy War-clouds of the American Revolution had melted away—on Saturday before the 4th Sunday in August, 1785—a thankful people of the Primitive Baptist faith in Pitt county organized a little church and called it "The Meadow." One hundred and forty years will have rolled by since that day when August 15th was passed this year.

Instead of the crude, weather-beaten edifices of those frontier days, 1925 witnesses a neatly painted, well-plastered, commodious building, while the little cones of oaks have developed into a spacious and level grove.

Few persons realize that this venerable church is one of the oldest in Eastern Carolina and probably the oldest in Pitt county, which is still actively functioning. Its age is almost the same as that of the American Republic. For generations the Lewis's, Mays, Mewhorns, and long ago the Tysons, have worshipped there. Family ties and traditional friendships make it doubly dear to them once a year at least when they gather from far and near to renew this heritage from olden days.

Invaluable service has been rendered to its denomination by "The Meadow." Through the dark and bitter days of five great wars, through the horrors of Reconstruction days, its doors have always opened on the Fourth Sunday in August to welcome the faithful. She is the proud mother of Tyson's, White Oak and Farmville Churches, having given in large measure of her best for the propagation of her faith.

All through the years, the same doctrines of Salvation by Grace, Sovereignty of God, and Predestination, have been thundered from her doors.

Never large in numbers, her roll today is less than twenty, but her adherents and lovers are really more.

Elder D. A. Mewhorn, who first preached there fifty-one years ago, has been her cherished pastor for many years.

On the Fourth Saturday in this month, the 100th anniversary, will be commemorated. Some of the Church's prominent preachers will be present.

LIVING IN HOPES

The joyous feeling I never had, but one I've often sought, is to learn that I have in the bank more money than I thought.

HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS ARE INCREASING

Nearly Five Hundred Accidents On State Highways In Past Six Months; 54 Fatalities; "Speeding" Causes Most.

(Highway News Service.)

Some startling figures are shown in the semi-annual accident report compiled by the Maintenance Department of the State Highway Commission, which shows that accidents are on the increase on the State Highway System and that "speeding" still leads the list of causes of fatal accidents while "intoxicated drivers" and "carelessness" tie for second place.

Four hundred and ninety-seven accidents are reported during the period from January 1st, 1925 to July 1st, 1915, in which fifty-four persons were killed and four hundred and sixty-nine injured. The 17th District, composed of counties in the Piedmont section leads the list with one hundred and nineteen accidents, seventeen fatalities, and ninety-five injuries.

Causes of fatal accidents are given as follows: Speeding 13; intoxicated drivers 7; cars parked on highway 3; faulty cars 2; blinding lights 3; pedestrians walking on highways 3; skidding on wet highway 6; carelessness 7; reckless driving 4; inexperienced drivers 2; causes unknown 2. Almost half of the total accidents occurred on straight roads, while eleven occurred at grade crossings, carelessness and speeding being the cause of these accidents in every case.

From the above figures it would appear that motor car drivers in North Carolina still have something to learn. There are those who do not yet mix that gasoline and alcohol will not mix and that one cannot take a nap while driving along the road.

STATE FAIR NOW PUBLIC INSTITUTION

new more of a public institution than ever before. Not only is it supported by public funds but it is also governed by a Board of Directors representing North Carolina and particularly the State College of Agriculture and the State Department of Agriculture.

For this reason it should be supported by people from all sections of the State and not alone by those who live adjacent to Raleigh, believes O. Max Gardner, President of the Fair this year. Mr. Gardner believes that farmers particularly should start at this time to select and prepare attractive and worth while exhibits for the Fair this fall. "It must be done," he says, "if these exhibits are to compete successfully for public attention and interest with the amusement features of the Fair."

"The North Carolina State Fair is primarily an educational institution and if it is to fulfill its purpose, quality must be one of the outstanding considerations in preparing exhibits. This applies to the individual entries of products in the field crops, horticulture and livestock departments as well as in the county, individual farm and community exhibits," says President Gardner.

The State Fair this year will run the entire week of October 12th. A number of new classes have been opened for competition, especially for livestock growers, and no livestock man need fear that his animals will have to compete this year with the animals grown in another State unless he so desires. Special State classes have been arranged and prizes are offered for the champion animals in each breed.

General Manager E. V. Walborn states that the new and enlarged horse show will be one of the features of the Fair this fall. He states that this show and the musical program together with the usual exhibits and features will place the Fair for 1925 on a high plane among such institutions in the South.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO BEAUTIFY CHAPEL HILL BOULEVARD

The civic departments of the Women's Clubs of Durham and Chapel Hill are planning to make the 12-mile boulevard connecting North Carolina's two great universities, Carolina and Duke, a "highway beautiful" and in this end are offering prizes to the property owners along the highway who do the most towards beautifying their land. This is indeed a commendable movement and one which could well be followed by other civic organizations in various sections of the State. North Carolina's wonderful highway system is attracting thousands of visitors from other states and citizens of this State should take pride in making their roadways as attractive as possible.

MONUMENT TO BE ERECTED AT GLENNSTER

Memorial Will Embrace Heroic Statue of Bryan With Bible in Hand and Surrounded by Children; Donations Received.

New York, Aug. 11.—Clemens, Fla., has been definitely selected as the site for the National Monument of the late William Jennings Bryan. The announcement to this effect was made today by Miss Dionea Bryan, daughter of his God Daughter.

Florida was Bryan's state, Miss Evans said, adding, "I feel it is the place the memorial should be. He was not primarily a politician and he believed there is a future for every trial folk in Florida."

The site of the monument has been donated by one of Mr. Bryan's best friends, and contributions of several thousand dollars have already been received toward having the monument erected. Miss Evans, who is surrounded by children, the Commission launching the plan, expects to see it here by offering a prize for the best selection, she said.

FIVE IN ONE FAMILY TAKE THE PASTEUR TREATMENT

Oxford, Aug. 12.—Five members of the family of J. H. Puckett, whose home is near Knox, four miles north of Oxford, are taking the Pasteur treatment, which is being administered by Dr. Nelson Thomas, their family physician. The family consists of Mrs. Puckett, her husband, and three boys on the farm having taken the treatment. Mrs. Puckett has a cow in the selection, she said.

The cow's head was sent to the State College of Agriculture and the Pasteur treatment was given to the cow. The cow was a victim of rabies.

It is said that a son of Mr. Puckett was bitten by a pig some time ago while he was tending the animal's throat, and upon examination of the pig's head it was found to be a victim of rabies, and the son at once began to take the Pasteur treatment.

29 WILL MAKE E. CAND TOUR

Miss Emma Dale, of Farmville, Among Those Who Will Go July 23rd to 15th Days

The News and Observer party of Eastern Canadian tourists, numbering 29, will leave Raleigh on Tuesday, Aug. 18th, at 7 P. M. for the Southern Railway, for a 15-day trip through Northern and Eastern Canadian cities and summer resorts.

Among the winners of "The News and Observer" for securing subscriptions to this paper is Miss Emma Dale, of this city, a bookkeeper in the Citizens Bank here. Miss Dale has looked forward to this year's summer vacation, and will be gratified to hear of her success in winning one of the prizes.

Other successful winners throughout the State are: Miss Lily Wiggins, Dunn; Miss Elizabeth Matthews, England; Miss Gladys Lanier, Greenville; Miss Sally Jackson, Hillsville; Mrs. P. L. Lanier, Greenville; Mrs. C. H. Anderson, Dunn; Mrs. J. Nobles, Dunn; Miss Clara Foy, Scotland Neck; Miss Mildred Satterfield, Roxboro; Miss Helen Wilborn, Comp; Miss Nell Jones, Henderson; Miss Kathleen Cotton, New Bern; Mrs. J. T. Gosser, Lillington; Mrs. W. L. Law, State College; Mrs. N. J. C. Law, Goldsboro; Mrs. W. L. D. Law, Mason; Miss Dionea Bryan, of Goldsboro; Miss Gladys Lanier, of Clayton; Miss Myrtle F. Lanier; Miss Ruth Perry, Burlington.

Several others in various sections of the state will accompany the winners by paying their own expenses.

AN EARTHQUAKE WIPES OUT ENTIRE VILLAGE

Constantinople, August 6.—Severe earthquake shocks on Thursday and again on Friday in the vicinity of Smyrna, ruined one village and killed damaged several others. The first of these is believed to have been small, but many persons were killed.